

Minutes



Council Solid Waste Committee

City of Santa Barbara Granada Garage Conference Room 1221 Anacapa Street, Second Floor November 12, 2007, 1:30 PM

ATTENDEES:

Councilmember Barnwell, Councilmember Falcone, Councilmember Williams, Joan Kent, Stephen Wiley, Bob Samario, Stephen MacIntosh, Karen Gumtow, Eric Lohela, Alicia DeToro, Patrick Lantz

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 1:37 pm

2. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA: None

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** November 5, 2007 minutes were approved

5. **PROPOSED WORK PLAN AND TIMELINE:** Bob Samario presented the Environmental Services Division proposed work plan and timeline for the next two years. He explained the proposed approach to increasing recycling in the business sector, which includes: 1) modifying existing solid waste collection rates to significantly increase financial incentives to divert material from the landfill; 2) making a concerted effort to provide technical assistance and outreach to increase business recycling; and, 3) developing a mandatory commercial recycling ordinance for those businesses that have not begun recycling. Mr. Samario also provided the proposed timeline for: 1) expanding the existing pilot Foodscrap Recovery and Composting Program across the entire business sector, the implementation of a Residential Foodscrap Recovery Program, the development and implementation of a program to more effectively divert Universal Waste (e.g., computers, household batteries) from the landfill, as well as a number of other key initiatives. The Committee approved the work plan and timeline. Joan Kent stated that the work plan will be presented to the full Council soon. Eric Lohela provided a brief update of the Pilot Foodscrap Recovery and Composting Program, with 7 participants diverting of over 85,000 pounds of foodscraps from the landfill in the past 6 months.

6. ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING: Conversion Technology Project Goals and Evaluation Criteria

7. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** November 29, 2007